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OF

The Eugenics Board of North Carolina

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

To his Excellency, LUTHER H. HODGES
Governor of North Carolina

Dear Sir:

I have the honor of submitting herewith the report of the Eugenics Board of North Carolina for the biennial period dating from July 1, 1954 through June 30, 1956.

Sincerely yours,

Ellen Winston

Chairman

INTRODUCTION

The North Carolina sterilization law provides specifically for the sterilization of three types of cases under authorization of the Eugenics Board: (1) feebleminded, (2) epileptic, and (3) mentally diseased persons.

These persons may be sterilized when it is shown that:

(1) An operation would be for the best interest of the person concerned;

(2) An operation would be for the public good; or when

(3) A child or children might be born who would have a tendancy to serious mental or nervous disease or deficiency.

The heads of state institutions and county superintendents of public welfare are designated by law to institute sterilization proceedings by filing petitions with the Eugenics Board.

The petition presented to the Eugenics Board from either one of these sources gives pertinent physical, psychological, psychiatric, and social information relating to the individual for whom the petition is filed. The purpose of these data is to establish one of the three diagnoses as specified in the law and to set forth the other factors that have entered into the decision for the petition to be submitted.

The law provides for both a hearing before the Eugenics Board and the right of appeal to the Superior Court.

DEVELOPMENTS DURING THE BIENNIUM

The Eugenics Board has held regular monthly meetings. Special meetings have been held when the circumstances in the individual case called for immediate action.

In addition to the technical phases of the work, the Eugenics Board has sponsored a broad educational program. This program has placed emphasis on bringing about the joint efforts of State institutions, welfare and health departments, together with the close cooperation of private physicians, nurses, and voluntary agencies, to carry out the purpose of the sterilization law. Effort has also been directed toward developing a well informed citizenry with respect to the meaning and value of sterilization to the individual.

1 Article 7, Chapter 35 of the General Statutes, Session 1933

As a part of the educational program, the Executive Secretary visited thirty county welfare departments during the biennium to discuss the program. In most instances the staff of the local health departments met jointly with the welfare staffs for these discussions. Meetings were held with the gynecology and obstetrical staffs of both Duke and Memorial Hospitals. Staff meetings were attended at the State Hospitals and the State school for mentally deficient. Discussions were held with the public health supervising nurses and with the field staff of the State Board of Public Welfare. Help was given in a number of instances on request to individuals who wanted to make talks on the program. Educational material was furnished in connection with nurses' training courses.

The pamphlet "Sterilization – the North Carolina Program" was issued with 5,200 copies distributed. In cooperation with the State Medical Society 3,200 copies were sent to the physicians of the State. Duke, Memorial, and Bowman Gray Hospitals distributed quantities of these pamphlets to medical students. Among other groups in the State to receive the pamphlet were welfare, health, and education departments, schools of nursing, State hospitals, State training schools, clerks of court, libraries, ministers, and various individuals. A number of these pamphlets were also sent to other states.

The Eugenics Board is a member of the North Carolina Health Council and the State Mental Health Council and has been represented regularly at the meetings of each.

In closing out this biennium, the Eugenics Board extends its appreciation to the State institutions, the welfare departments, and the many other groups and individuals who have cooperated in promoting the program.

PROGRAM STATISTICS

During the biennium 657 petitions were presented to the Eugenics Board for review. Operations were authorized in 634 cases, amounting to 96.5 per cent of the petitions. There were 556 operations performed, or 87.7 per cent of the operations authorized. However, some of the operations performed had been authorized in the previous biennium, and some of the operations authorized during the 1954-56 biennium could not be performed until the following biennium.

Of the 556 operations, 425 – or 76.4 per cent – were performed upon women and 131 were performed upon men. In the previous biennium only 16.8 per cent of the persons having operations were men, as compared with 23.6 per cent during the 1954-56 biennium. This reflects an increasing awareness of the fact that eugenical sterilizations are likely

to be equally as beneficial in the cases of men who meet the criteria established by law as among women. However, the institutional operations account for a large proportion of the operations upon men; 65.6 per cent of the operations upon men originated in State institutions, while only 32.9 per cent of the operations performed upon women originated there.

Operations for asexualization are rarely ordered by the Eugenics Board. Only three were performed during the biennium – one castration and two ovariectomies.

Two hundred twenty-six operations performed were for patients of State institutions: 110 at the State Hospital at Morganton, 90 at Caswell Training School, 18 at the State Hospital at Goldsboro, and 8 at the State Hospital at Raleigh. There were none for patients at the State Hospital at Butner. The remaining 330 persons having the operations were non-institutional; petitions for their operations originated in county departments of public welfare.

The 397 non-institutional operations authorized resulted from petitions received from 82 of the 100 counties of the State. The 330 non-institutional operations were performed for 75 different counties. Counties with the highest numbers of non-institutional operations performed during the biennium were Mecklenburg – 29 operations, Moore – 18, Anson – 16, Pitt – 11, and Franklin – 10.

Of the 556 persons having the operations, 357 were white, 198 Negro, and one Indian. This distribution corresponds closely to the distribution of the entire North Carolina population according to race.

The majority of the persons sterilized were adolescents or young adults: 72 per cent were under 30 years of age, and 38.5 per cent were under 20.

The operations for sterilization were performed because of the following conditions: 427, or 76.8 per cent, because of feeble-mindedness; 125, or 22.5 per cent, because of mental disease; and 4, or 0.7 per cent, because of epilepsy.

Nearly two-thirds (65.8 per cent) of the persons sterilized were single. Another 25.2 per cent were married, and 9.0 per cent were widowed, divorced, or separated from their spouses.

Nearly one-half of the 556 persons having the operations (272 persons) had already had children prior to the operations. Sixty-four had had five children or more. The 272 persons were the parents of 875 children; 204 of these children were reported to have been born out of wedlock. These data emphasize the need for continuing an increased effort to plan the indicated sterilizations early in the lives of the recipients.

The number of petitions submitted, operations authorized, and operations performed declined from the 1950-52 biennium to the 1952-54 biennium, and again from the latter to the 1954-56 biennium. However, the numbers for this last biennium were still much higher than they had been for any biennium prior to July, 1950.

A comparison of Tables 13 and 14 makes clear that the recent decline in total operations has been due to a marked decrease in State institutional operations. Non-institutional operations have continued to increase, and in 1955 there were 253 – a larger number than in any previous year.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF EUGENICS BOARD, 1954-1956

Item	Expenditures	
	Actual 1954-55	Actual 1955-56
Salaries	$ 7,918.00	$ 8,156.00
Supplies and Materials	90.00	100.00
Postage, Telephone and Telegraph	90.00	121.00
Travel Expense	300.00	283.00
Printing and Binding	296.00	118.00
Subscriptions and Dues	10.00	10.00
Equipment	2.00	92.00
Total	$ 8,706.00	$ 8,880.00

TABLES 1 – 10

STATISTICAL REPORT ON EUGENICAL STERILIZATIONS

DURING THE 1954–1956 BIENNIUM

TABLE 1

Operations Performed by Type of Operation and Origin of Petition – July 1954 – June 1956

Origin of Petition	Total	July 1954 – June 1955				July 1955 – June 1956			
		Total	Vasectomy	Castration	Salpingectomy	Total	Vasectomy	Salpingectamy	Ovariectomy
Total	556	272	70	1	201	284	60	222	2
State Institutions	226	109	45	----	64	117	41	76	----
Non-institutianal	330	163	25	1	137	167	19	146	2

TABLE 2

Cases Handled by Fiscal Year – July 1954–June 1956

Fiscal Year	Petitions Presented	Operations Authorized	Operations Performed
Total	657	634	556
July 1954 – June 1955	314	314	272
July 1955 – June 1956	343	320	284

TABLE 3

Operations Performed by Length of Time Between Autharization and Operation
July 1954 – June 1956

Length of Time	Total	July 1954 – June 1955	July 1955 – June 1956
Total	556	272	284
Less than 1 month	305	174	131
1 month, less than 3	127	42	85
3 months, less than 5	64	28	36
5 months, less than 7	33	18	15
7 months, less than 1 year	15	7	8
1 year, less than 2	9	2	7
2 years, less than 4	1	1	---
4 years or more	2	---	2

TABLE 4

State Institutianal Operations by Institution, Type of Operation, and Fiscal Year
July 1954 – June 1956

Institution	Total	July 1954 – June 1955			July 1955 – June 1956		
		Total	Vasec-tomy	Salpin-gectomy	Total	Vasec-tomy	Salpin-gectomy
Total	226	109	45	64	117	41	76
Caswell Training School	90	46	30	16	44	28	16
State Hospital at Butner	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
State Hospital at Goldsboro	18	6	---	6	12	2	10
State Hospital at Morganton	110	53	15	38	57	10	47
State Hospital at Raleigh	8	4	---	4	4	1	3

TABLE 5

State Institutional Operations Authorized and Performed, by County of Residence – July 1954–June 1956

County of Residence	Total Operations		July 1954–June 1955		July 1955–June 1956	
			Operations		Operations	
	Author-ized	Per-formed	Author-ized	Per-formed	Author-ized	Per-formed
Total	237	226	129	109	108	117
Alamance	5	4	---	---	5	4
Alexander	2	2	---	1	2	1
Alleghany	1	1	---	---	1	1
Anson	---	---	---	---	---	---
Ashe	3	2	---	---	3	2
Avery	1	1	1	1	---	---
Beaufort	---	---	---	---	---	---
Bertie	3	2	1	1	2	1
Bladen	2	2	2	2	---	---
Brunswick	---	---	---	---	---	---
Buncombe	14	11	5	5	9	6
Burke	11	10	9	7	2	3
Cabarrus	5	4	2	1	3	3
Caldwell	5	6	4	3	1	3
Camden	---	---	---	---	---	---
Carteret	3	3	2	1	1	2
Caswell	2	1	1	---	1	1
Catawba	11	11	3	3	8	8
Chatham	1	1	1	1	---	---
Cherokee	2	1	---	---	2	1
Chowan	---	---	---	---	---	---
Clay	2	2	2	2	---	---
Cleveland	5	6	3	3	2	3
Columbus	2	1	1	1	1	---
Craven	1	1	1	1	---	---
Cumberland	---	---	---	---	---	---
Currituck	---	---	---	---	---	---
Dare	---	---	---	---	---	---
Davidson	3	3	1	1	2	2
Davie	1	---	---	---	1	---
Duplin	6	5	5	2	1	3
Durham	2	2	---	---	2	2
Edgecombe	1	1	1	1	---	---
Forsyth	5	5	---	---	5	5
Franklin	2	3	1	1	1	2
Gaston	7	7	5	5	2	2
Gates	---	---	---	---	---	---
Graham	1	1	1	1	---	---
Granville	---	---	---	---	---	---
Greene	1	1	1	1	---	---
Guilford	2	2	1	1	1	1
Halifax	---	---	---	---	---	---
Harnett	3	3	2	2	1	1
Haywood	5	5	4	2	1	3
Henderson	3	3	2	2	1	1
Hertford	---	---	---	---	---	---
Hoke	---	---	---	---	---	---

TABLE 5 (Continued) -2-

County of Residence	Total Operations		July 1954–June 1955 Operations		July 1955–June 1956 Operations	
	Author-ized	Per-formed	Author-ized	Per-formed	Author-ized	Per-formed
Hyde	---	---	---	---	---	---
Iredell	3	3	1	---	2	3
Jackson	2	2	2	1	---	1
Johnston	3	3	3	3	---	---
Jones	---	---	---	---	---	---
Lee	---	---	---	---	---	---
Lenoir	4	4	3	3	1	1
Lincoln	6	8	3	4	3	4
Macon	---	---	---	---	---	---
Madison	---	2	---	1	---	1
Martin	1	1	---	---	1	1
McDowell	3	2	2	1	1	1
Mecklenburg	13	12	7	6	6	6
Mitchell	1	2	---	1	1	1
Montgomery	---	---	---	---	---	---
Moore	---	---	---	---	---	---
Nash	4	4	1	---	3	4
New Hanover	2	2	2	1	---	1
Northampton	1	1	1	1	---	---
Onslow	---	---	---	---	---	---
Orange	---	---	---	---	---	---
Pamlico	1	1	---	---	1	1
Pasquotank	1	1	1	1	---	---
Pender	1	1	1	1	---	---
Perquimans	---	---	---	---	---	---
Person	---	---	---	---	---	---
Pitt	5	3	1	1	4	2
Polk	2	2	2	1	---	1
Randolph	---	---	---	---	---	---
Richmond	1	1	1	1	---	---
Robeson	1	1	1	---	---	1
Rockingham	1	2	---	---	1	2
Rowan	7	7	5	5	2	2
Rutherford	5	6	3	3	2	3
Sampson	1	1	---	---	1	1
Scotland	1	1	---	---	1	1
Stanly	---	---	---	---	---	---
Stokes	1	1	1	1	---	---
Surry	5	5	5	5	---	---
Swain	1	1	1	1	---	---
Transylvania	7	7	2	2	5	5
Tyrrell	---	---	---	---	---	---
Union	2	3	2	2	---	1
Vance	2	2	1	1	1	1
Wake	6	3	3	1	3	2
Warren	2	2	2	1	---	1
Washington	1	1	1	1	---	---
Watauga	2	3	1	2	1	1
Wayne	3	3	2	2	1	1
Wilkes	6	4	2	1	4	3
Wilson	3	3	2	2	1	1
Yadkin	2	2	2	---	---	2
Yancey	1	1	---	---	1	1

TABLE 6

Non-Institutional Operations Authorized and Performed, by County of Residence
July 1954 – June 1956

County of Residence	Total Operations		July 1954–June 1955		July 1955–June 19	
			Operations		Operations	
	Author-ized	Per-formed	Author-ized	Per-formed	Author ized	Per-formed
Total	397	330	185	163	212	167
Alamance	6	6	5	2	1	4
Alexander	1	1	---	---	1	1
Alleghany	---	---	---	---	---	---
Anson	22	16	15	13	7	3
Ashe	3	3	2	1	1	2
Avery	1	1	1	1	---	---
Beaufort	1	1	1	---	---	1
Bertie	5	4	3	3	2	1
Bladen	10	5	4	4	6	1
Brunswick	1	1	---	---	1	1
Buncombe	6	5	2	4	4	1
Burke	5	6	3	2	2	4
Cabarrus	4	4	3	4	1	---
Caldwell	4	3	2	2	2	1
Camden	---	---	---	---	---	---
Carteret	2	2	2	1	---	1
Caswell	---	---	---	---	---	---
Catawba	5	6	3	3	2	3
Chatham	5	4	4	3	1	1
Cherokee	2	1	---	---	2	1
Chowan	1	1	---	---	1	1
Clay	---	---	---	---	---	---
Cleveland	2	1	1	1	1	---
Columbus	4	3	3	3	1	---
Craven	1	1	1	1	---	---
Cumberland	10	5	2	2	8	3
Currituck	1	1	1	1	---	---
Dare	---	---	---	---	---	---
Davidson	2	3	1	1	1	2
Davie	2	1	---	---	2	1
Duplin	11	8	1	1	10	7
Durham	9	6	3	2	6	4
Edgecombe	1	---	---	---	1	---
Forsyth	9	7	4	5	5	2
Franklin	10	10	2	4	8	6
Gaston	6	5	4	4	2	1
Gates	5	5	2	1	3	4
Graham	1	---	---	---	1	---
Granville	1	---	---	---	1	---
Greene	---	---	---	---	---	---
Guilford	9	4	1	2	8	2
Halifax	2	3	---	1	2	2
Harnett	1	1	1	1	---	---
Haywood	---	---	---	---	---	---
Henderson	---	---	---	---	---	---
Hertford	10	8	3	3	7	5
Hoke	1	---	1	---	---	---

TABLE 6 (Continued)

County of Residence	Total Operations		July 1954–June 1955		July 1955–June 1956	
			Operations		Operations	
	Author-ized	Per-formed	Author-ized	Per-formed	Author-ized	Per-formed
Hyde	---	---	---	---	---	---
Iredell	9	7	5	4	4	3
Jackson	1	1	---	---	1	1
Johnston	3	3	3	1	---	2
Jones	---	---	---	---	---	---
Lee	3	---	---	---	3	---
Lenoir	8	5	2	2	6	3
Lincoln	2	1	1	1	1	---
Macon	1	1	1	1	---	---
Madison	1	2	---	1	1	1
Martin	1	---	---	---	1	---
McDowell	1	1	1	---	---	1
Mecklenburg	33	29	10	10	23	19
Mitchell	---	---	---	---	---	---
Montgomery	---	---	---	---	---	---
Moore	22	18	13	11	9	7
Nash	2	---	---	---	2	---
New Hanover	---	1	---	1	---	---
Northampton	3	3	2	2	1	1
Onslow	3	3	---	---	3	3
Orange	4	4	2	1	2	3
Pamlico	3	3	3	1	---	2
Pasquotank	5	5	2	2	3	3
Pender	---	---	---	---	---	---
Perquimans	4	3	---	---	4	3
Person	1	---	---	---	1	---
Pitt	10	11	5	5	5	6
Polk	1	1	---	---	1	1
Randolph	2	2	2	1	---	1
Richmond	5	6	2	2	3	4
Robeson	7	5	3	2	4	3
Rockingham	4	6	3	2	1	4
Rowan	4	3	4	2	---	1
Rutherford	1	2	1	1	---	1
Sampson	9	8	8	7	1	1
Scotland	5	5	2	3	3	2
Stanly	1	1	---	---	1	1
Stokes	5	7	1	3	4	4
Surry	3	3	1	1	2	2
Swain	2	2	2	2	---	---
Transylvania	4	4	4	4	---	---
Tyrrell	---	---	---	---	---	---
Union	2	1	---	---	2	1
Vance	5	3	2	1	3	2
Wake	8	9	6	5	2	4
Warren	12	8	4	2	8	6
Washington	---	---	---	---	---	---
Watauga	---	---	---	---	---	---
Wayne	1	1	---	1	1	---
Wilkes	8	5	5	2	3	3
Wilson	3	2	1	1	2	1
Yadkin	3	3	3	2	---	1
Yancey	---	---	---	---	---	---

TABLE 7

Operations Performed by Type of Operation and Race

July 1954 – June 1956

Type of Operation	TOTAL	July 1954–June 1955			July 1955–June 1956			
		Total	White	Negro	Total	Indian	White	Negro
Total	556	272	182	90	284	1	175	108
Vasectamy	130	70	57	13	60	---	48	12
Castration	1	1	1	--	--	--	--	--
Salpingectomy	423	201	124	77	222	1	126	95
Ovariectomy	2	--	--	--	2	--	1	1

TABLE 8

Type of Operation Performed by Age and Sex of Person

July 1954 – June 1956

Age	TOTAL	MALE			FEMALE		
		Total	Vasectomy	Castration	Total	Salpingectomy	Ovariectomy
Total	556	131	130	1	425	423	2
10–19	214	68	67	1	146	145	1
20–29	186	38	38	--	148	148	--
30–39	140	18	18	--	122	121	1
40–49	14	5	5	--	9	9	--
50 and over	2	2	2	--	--	--	--

TABLE 9

Operations Performed by Type of Diagnosis, Source of Petition and Marital Status

July 1954 – June 1956

Diagnosis Shown on Petition	TOTAL	MARITAL STATUS								
		Married			Single			Widowed, divorced, separated		
		Total	State Institution	Non-Institution	Total	State Institution	Non-Institution	Total	State Institution	Non-Institution
Total	556	140	72	68	366	135	231	50	19	31
Mental disease	125	68	68	--	43	41	2	14	14	--
Epilepsy	4	1	--	1	2	--	2	1	1	--
Feebleminded	427	71	4	67	321	94	227	35	4	31

TABLE 10

Individuals Having Children Prior to Sterilization, by Marital Status and Number of Children

July 1954 – June 1956

Children born prior to sterilization	TOTAL[1]	July 1954 – June 1955				July 1955 – June 1956			
		Total	Married	Single	Separated Divorced Widowed	Total	Married	Single	Separated Divorced Widowed
Total	272	124	66	42	16	148	68	52	28
One child	70	31	10	17	4	39	12	21	6
Two children	60	25	13	10	2	35	18	15	2
Three children	50	25	10	10	5	25	11	10	4
Four children	28	13	10	2	1	15	7	2	6
Five children	20	9	7	1	1	11	5	1	5
Six children	20	9	6	2	1	11	6	3	2
Seven children	9	4	4	--	--	5	5	--	--
Eight children	6	4	2	--	2	2	2	--	--
Nine children	4	1	1	--	--	3	1	--	2
Ten or more[2]	5	3	3	--	--	2	1	--	1

1 – Two hundred eighty-four persons had no children 2 – Three individuals had 10, one had 11, and one had 15.

TABLES 11-18

HISTORICAL DATA ON EUGENICAL STERILIZATION
IN NORTH CAROLINA

TABLE 11

Cases Handled by Biennial Periods – July 1933 to June 1956

Biennial Period	Petitions Presented	Operations Authorized	Operations Performed
Total	5,028	4,958	4,375[1]
July 1933 – June 1934	39	39	31
July 1934 – June 1936	309	301	252
July 1936 – June 1938	356	350	296
July 1938 – June 1940	352	345	305
July 1940 – June 1942	390	385	339
July 1942 – June 1944	328	309	269
July 1944 – June 1946	282	276	238
July 1946 – June 1948	337	330	291
July 1948 – June 1950	562	543	468
July 1950 – June 1952	743	796	704
July 1952 – June 1954	673	650	626
July 1954 – June 1956	657	634	556

[1] Forty-nine additional operations were performed prior to July 1933 under previous Legislation making a total of 4,424 operations performed.

TABLE 12

Operations Performed Annually by Sex and Type of Operations

July 1929 – June 1956

Year	TOTAL	MALE			FEMALE		
		Total	Vasectomy	Castration	Total	Salpingectomy	Ovariectomy
Total	4424[1]	927	864	63	3497	3478	19
1929	3	2	1	1	1	--	1
1930	17	2	--	2	15	10	5
1931	11	--	--	--	11	10	1
1932	18	9	--	9	9	7	2
1933	4	1	1	--	3	3	--
1934	61	15	7	8	46	45	1
1935	178	24	17	7	154	152	2
1936	98	12	11	1	86	86	--
1937	128	21	18	3	107	105	2
1938	202	56	53	3	146	144	2
1939	138	36	34	2	102	102	--
1940	159	47	45	2	112	112	--
1941	181	49	45	4	132	132	--
1942	148	36	32	4	112	112	--
1943	152	33	29	4	119	119	--
1944	107	20	18	2	87	87	--
1945	117	18	15	3	99	98	1
1946	106	16	16	--	90	90	--
1947	140	26	21	5	114	114	--
1948	189	34	34	--	155	155	--
1949	249	31	31	--	218	218	--
1950	300	60	60	--	240	240	--
1951	372	106	104	2	266	266	--
1952	348	82	82	--	266	266	--
1953	283	40	40	--	243	243	--
1954	298	45	45	--	253	253	--
1955	292	75	74	1	217	217	--
1956 to June 30	125	31	31	--	94	92	2

[1] Ninety-one of these operations originated in county institutions prior to 1953.

TABLE 13

State Institutional Operations Performed Annually by Sex and Type of Operation

July 1929 – June 1956

Year	TOTAL	MALE			FEMALE		
		Total	Vasectomy	Castration	Total	Solpingectomy	Ovariectomy
Total	2439	708	663	45	1731	1723	8
1929	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
1930	9	1	--	1	8	4	4
1931	3	--	--	--	3	3	--
1932	15	9	--	9	6	5	1
1933	2	1	1	--	1	1	--
1934	45	13	5	8	32	31	1
1935	82	15	9	6	67	67	--
1936	56	10	10	--	46	46	--
1937	82	16	15	1	66	66	--
1938	152	50	48	2	102	101	1
1939	70	29	28	1	41	41	--
1940	94	36	36	--	58	58	--
1941	103	38	37	1	65	65	--
1942	98	33	29	4	65	65	--
1943	107	32	28	4	75	75	--
1944	63	15	13	2	48	48	--
1945	74	14	11	3	60	59	1
1946	47	11	11	--	36	36	--
1947	65	15	13	2	50	50	--
1948	92	23	23	--	69	69	--
1949	109	21	21	--	88	88	--
1950	187	51	51	--	136	136	--
1951	255	92	91	1	163	163	--
1952	213	62	62	--	151	151	--
1953	115	24	24	--	91	91	--
1954	128	23	23	--	105	105	--
1955	127	52	52	--	75	75	--
1956 to June 30	46	22	22	--	24	24	--

TABLE 14

Non-Institutional Operations Performed Annually by Sex and Type of Operation

July 1929 – June 1956

Year	TOTAL	MALE			FEMALE		
		Total	Vasectomy	Castration	Total	Salpingectomy	Ovariectomy
Total	1894	214	200	14	1680	1672	8
1929	1	1	1	--	--	--	--
1930	5	--	--	--	5	4	1
1931	4	--	--	--	4	4	--
1932	3	--	--	--	3	2	1
1933	2	--	--	--	2	2	--
1934	15	2	2	--	13	13	--
1935	85	8	8	--	77	75	2
1936	37	2	1	1	35	35	--
1937	42	5	3	2	37	36	1
1938	48	6	5	1	42	41	1
1939	59	7	6	1	52	52	--
1940	59	11	9	2	48	48	--
1941	73	10	8	2	63	63	--
1942	43	3	3	--	40	40	--
1943	41	1	1	--	40	40	--
1944	39	5	5	--	34	34	--
1945	42	4	4	--	38	38	--
1946	57	5	5	--	52	52	--
1947	69	11	8	3	58	58	--
1948	96	11	11	--	85	85	--
1949	135	9	9	--	126	126	--
1950	111	9	9	--	102	102	--
1951	112	14	13	1	98	98	--
1952	134	20	20	--	114	114	--
1953	168	16	16	--	152	152	--
1954	170	22	22	--	148	148	--
1955	165	23	22	1	142	142	--
1956 to June 30	79	9	9	--	70	68	2

TABLE 15

State Institutional Operations by Institution, Sex, and Type of Operation

July 1929 – June 1956

Institution	TOTAL	MALE			FEMALE		
		Total	Vasectomy	Castration	Total	Salpingectomy	Ovariectomy
Total	2439	708	663	45	1731	1723	8
Caswell Training School	481	208	196	12	273	272	1
State Hospital at Butner[1]	5	4	4	--	1	1	--
State Hospital at Goldsboro	341	183	159	24	158	158	--
State Hospital at Morganton	690	205	205	--	485	484	1
State Hospital at Raleigh	595	97	88	9	498	496	2
Eastern Carolina Training School	4	4	4	--	--	--	--
State Home & Industrial School for Girls	300	--	--	--	300	296	4
State Training School for Negro Girls	3	--	--	--	3	3	--
Stonewall Jackson Training School	6	6	6	--	--	--	--
Others	14	1	1	--	13	13	--

[1] Opened in 1947.

TABLE 16

Operations Performed by Type of Operation and Race

July 1929 – June 1956

Type of Operation	Total	White	Negro	Other
Total	4424	3252	1166	6
Vasectomy	864	636	228	--
Castration	63	34	29	--
Salpingectomy	3478	2565	907	6
Ovariectomy	19	17	2	--

TABLE 17

Type of Operation Performed by Age and Sex of Person

July 1929 – June 1956

Age	TOTAL	MALE			FEMALE		
		Total	Vasectomy	Castration	Total	Salpingectomy	Ovariectomy
Total	4424	927	864	63	3497	3478	19
10–19	1790	364	341	23	1426	1415	11
20–29	1604	310	284	26	1294	1290	4
30–39	895	180	168	12	715	711	4
40–49	123	61	60	1	62	62	--
50 and over	10	10	10	--	--	--	--
Unknown	2	2	1	1	--	--	--

TABLE 18

Operations Performed by Type of Diagnosis, Source of Petition and Marital Status

July 1954 – June 1956

Diagnosis Shown on Petition	TOTAL	MARITAL STATUS											
		Married				Single				Widowed, divorced, separated			
		Total	State Institution	County Institution	Non-Institution	Total	State Institution	County Institution	Non-Institution	Total	State Institution	County Institution	Non-Institution
Total	4424	1132	767	8	357	3010	1539	76	1395	282	133	7	142
Mental Disease ..	1306	719	695	1	23	471	458	--	13	116	110	--	6
Epilepsy ..	319	85	44	2	39	224	162	6	56	10	7	--	3
Feeble-minded	2799	328	28	5	295	2315	919	70	1326	156	16	7	133

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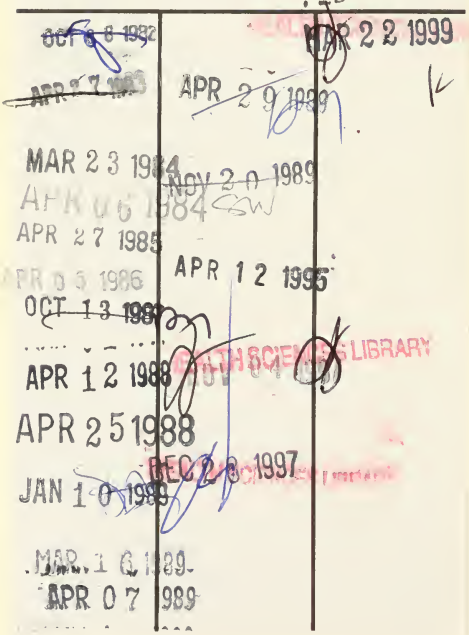

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